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WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Kentucky recognizes and appreciates the sacrifices of its sons and daughters in the Armed Forces who have been mobilized or deployed in support of Operations Noble Eagle and Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, it is not practical for Kentuckians who have been mobilized or deployed in support of Operations Noble Eagle or Enduring Freedom to comply with various statutory, regulatory, or other requirements such as renewing vehicle registration, renewing a driver's license, obtaining or renewing other licenses or permits, filing various state returns or reports, obtaining or retaining professional licenses and certificates, including continuing education requirements, or paying taxes, fees or other charges which would otherwise be required during such service; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Commonwealth of Kentucky to fully support its sons and daughters who have been mobilized or deployed in support of Operations Noble Eagle or Enduring Freedom:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Paul E. Patton, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 69 of the Kentucky Constitution, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT the following:

1. Any statutory or regulatory time allowed or required by the Commonwealth for obtaining, retaining, or renewing any licenses, filing any return, report or other document, paying any taxes, fees or other charges which would fall due or expire during the period a person is mobilized or deployed in support of Operations Noble Eagle or Enduring Freedom is hereby extended as it applies to such person. Such extension shall expire 90 days following demobilization from active duty or ninety days following deployment to Kentucky for persons remaining on active duty. No penalty of any nature shall accrue by reason of the time extension provided herein.

PAUL E. PATTON, Governor Commonwealth of Kentucky

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Secretary of State